

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 237 - HB 648

February 22, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds new standards, to the *Kerosene and Motor Fuels Quality Inspection Act of 1989*, establishing that for gasoline blended with ethanol, the most recent version of ASTM D4814, Standard Specification for Automotive Spark Ignition Engine Fuel, shall apply with certain specified exceptions.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 47-18-1302, the intent of the *Kerosene and Motor Fuels Quality Inspection Act of 1989* is to ensure that kerosene and motor fuels are adequately labeled, adequately posted, and meet or exceed certain minimum quality standards.
- This provisions of the bill establish that for gasoline blended with ethanol, the most recent version of ASTM D4814, Standard Specification for Automotive Spark Ignition Engine Fuel, shall apply with the following exceptions:
 - The maximum vapor pressure shall not exceed the ASTM D4814 limit by more than 1.0 psi for blends containing nine percent (9%) to ten percent (10%) (by volume) ethanol from June 1 through September 15, in accordance with 40 CFR Part 80.27(d);
 - The maximum vapor pressure shall not exceed the ASTM D4814 limit by more than 1.0 psi for blends containing one percent (1%) or more (by volume) ethanol for volatility Classes A, B, C, and D from September 16 through May 31; and
 - The maximum vapor pressure shall not exceed the ASTM D4814 limit by more than 0.5 psi for blends containing one percent (1%) or more (by volume) ethanol for volatility Class E from September 16 through May 31.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Agriculture (TDA), this bill will result in no significant impact on the regulatory duties of the TDA.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- Passage of this bill is not anticipated to have any significant impact on commerce or jobs in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Krista M. Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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